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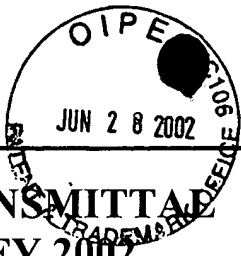
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| 104                   | 280                   | 204                   | 140                   | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
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| 139      | 130                   | 139                   | 130                   | Non-English transaction  |          |
| 147      | 2,520                 | 147                   | 2,520                 | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     |          |
| 112      | 920*                  | 112                   | 920*                  | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
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| 119      | 320                   | 219                   | 160                   | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 120      | 320                   | 220                   | 160                   | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     | 320.00   |
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| 138      | 1,510                 | 138                   | 1,510                 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
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| 141      | 1,280                 | 241                   | 640                   | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
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